

Gloucester, April 5/64

Dear William -

65- I rec by the Journal of this evening,
that you are invited to be of the party
to be present at Sumter on the 13th.
Do go, if your sense of duty will allow..
Do go, & have Thompson go.

I know there be those who will
make it an occasion to charge you with
inconsistency, & deviation to principle.
The Flag of the Republic now stands
for Liberty & only Liberty. By rejoicing
that it is to float over Sumter once more,
you give no sanction to governmental
violence. That Flag Raising at Sumter
symbolizes the abolition of Slavery &
The New & Older birth & destiny of the
Republic. Do go there dear William
if you can, with Thompson, & identify
yourself with the whole people by
your presence & your words, then
if opportunity offers. God to Charleston.

Must. Dear George There. I never that
city of blood & tears, for then was laid
the Egg ~~there~~ of Rebellion & there
it was hatched.

How can any one see what is
tramping in & around Richmond
& not, or lended knees, thank God that
the days of slavery are numbered & the
Rebellion.

What a story this Civil War will
tell in all coming time in favor
of ~~the~~ cause of Life & Liberty! of Self-
abnegation - of Non-Resistance
by arms & blood. It will demon-
strate that - Perseverence for Human
Principles is the only safeguard of
Human Rights. Can you not
go to Charleston? Sumter?

Henry C Wright.